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C O N F I D E N T I A L STOCKHOLM 1624

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OREP (CODEL MATHIAS)

SUBJECT: CODEL MATHIAS

REF: STATE 73208

1. DISCUSSED SUBSTANCE REFTEL WITH MFA NORTH AMERICAN DESK OFFICER ELIASSON. HE SAYS THERE IS SERIOUS MIS-UNDERSTANDING, THAT LEIFLAND HAS INFORMED BOTH MATHIAS AND SIEVERTS THAT, THOUGH WILLING TO HELP, SWEDEN CAN DO NOTHING TO ASSIST IN MIA PROBLEM UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, SINCE IT IS NOT A PROBLEM OF COMMUNICATIONS (WHICH WAS A PROBLEM IN 1969). SINCE HE DOES NOT WANT TO GET ANY FALSE HOPES AROUSED IN MIA FAMILIES, WITH WHOM HE DEEPLY SYMPATHIZES, PALME DOES NOT RPT NOT WISH TO DISCUSS MIA'S WITH MATHIAS AND MFA MADE APPOINTMENT WITH PALME UNDER ASSUMPTION THAT MATHIAS WOULD NOT DISCUSS ISSUE. ACCORDING MFA UNDERSTANDING, MATHIAS WILL DISCUSS SWEDISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS, DISARMAMENT AND INDOCHINA WITH PALME. ELIASSON EMPHASIZED THAT GOS DID NOT IN ANY WAY WANT TO DISCOURAGE MATHIAS VISIT, WHICH IS MOST WELCOME, BUT BELIEVES IT WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE IF VISIT WERE BILLED AS RELATED TO MIA AFFAIR.

2. NEED ACCOUNTING DATA FOR CODEL. ON BASIS DUBOSE-CONFIDENTIAL

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LIPIEC TELCON HAVE ARRANGED CAR WITH DRIVER TO BE AT

DISPOSAL OF SENATOR MATHIAS THROUGHOUT STOCKHOLM VISIT.
COST \$13 HOUR. ADVISE IF SATISFACTORY.

3. MFA INFORMS THAT SENATOR ARRIVES STOCKHOLM 2250
APRIL 21 VIA SWISSAIR. PLEASE CONFIRM.

4. SINCE TYPING ABOVE, HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY MFA ACTING
POLITICAL HEAD EDELSTAM THAT HE WANTS TO EMPHASIZE HOW
WELCOME THE SENATOR'S TRIP IS TO GOS AND THAT EVERY
EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS. THE MIA
AFFAIR, HE STRESSES, SHOULD NOT BE A BARRIER TO A
SUCCESSFUL VISIT. SWEDEN WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO
HELP BUT CAN SEE NO WAY, AND BELIEVES IT WOULD BE
CRUEL TO GET FALSE HOPES UP IN MIA FAMILIES.
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